THE PLAN OF THE CHARITY FOR THE Maintenance, Education, and Employment Of ORPHANS and other POOR CHILDREN,

Erected at HOXTON in the Year 1760.

WITH THE

PRESENT STATE of it,

THE

QUALIFICATIONS for GOVERNORS,

AND THE

RULES for the GOVERNMENT thereof.

To which is annexed,

A LIST of the GOVERNORS and ANNUAL SUBSCRIBERS;

And a PREFACE recommending it.

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THE PREFACE,

Recommending this CHARITY.

IT never was, nor is it, the Intention of the Advocates and Managers of this Charity, to eſtabliſh or to promote it upon the Ruins, or to the Prejudice, of any other uſeful and generous Deſign; or to make an Advantage of any Warmth of Paſſion which might be inſtantaneouſly excited.

For which Reaſons, though they have had an annual Sermon recommending it, and the Friends and Patrons of it have choſe to dine together on the ſame Day, yet they have declined, either at the Sermon or the Dinner, to make any public Collection; though not refuſing any Contributions that may be then offered.

What they deſire is, to appeal to the Judgments and calm Reflections of benevolent Minds. They think the Importance and Utility of the Deſign ſufficient to recommend it; and no further wiſh or deſire it's Succeſs, than as it is calculated to promote the moſt valuable Ends. It is on theſe Principles they rejoice in the Encouragement it hath met with; on theſe Principles they ſtill preſume to recommend it.

And who indeed that impartially conſiders, can help ſeeing and acknowledging the great Importance and Utility of this Inſtitution? Who can behold *poor young Creatures*, formed with a Capacity for Religion and Virtue, capable of being rendered uſeful Members of Society, and above all, deſigned for Immortality, but in Danger, through their Infelicity, not their Fault, of becoming Burthens and Nuiſances to the Public, a Prey to Vice, and Victims of eternal Deſtruction? Who can ſee ſuch Objects, without feeling all their Tenderneſs and Compaſſion for them excited, without wiſhing for ſomething to be done to reſcue them from impending Ruin, and to raiſe them to the important Ends of Exiſtence? The Honour of Almighty God, the Public Intereſt, as well as the Happineſs of Individuals, unite to recommend them to our generous Regards. And the Charity inſpired by the Goſpel of Jeſus Chriſt, gives Force to the Dictates and Feelings of Humanity to the Objects, and of Love to the Public.

Some charitable Inſtitutions are more immediately confined to the Objects themſelves. Some are deſigned only for the Relief of a preſent temporal Diſtreſs. While others are calculated to remove the ſad Conſequences of paſt criminal Indulgences. Valuable, excellent Deſigns theſe are! May God Almighty proſper them! and bleſs thoſe who engage in them! But ſurely it is a Recommendation of this Charity, that it hath *helpleſs Innocents* for it's Objects. It takes ſuch under its Protection as are expoſed to all the Snares and Miſeries of Indigence, Ignorance, Idleneſs, and bad Example. It lends a friendly hand to guard them from Perdition here and hereafter; and to guide them in the Paths of Religion and Virtue to eternal Happineſs.

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Did this Charity inſtill into the Minds of it's Objects, Notions above the lower Sphere of Life in which Providence hath intended them to move, or did it kindle in them the Sparks of Pride and Vanity, or did it propoſe to teach them any Thing that might give them a Diſtaſte of the loweſt Occupations of honeſt Poverty, this would be a great Objection to it. But all this is carefully guarded againſt. And their Diet, their Dreſs, and their Inſtruction, ſuch as every honeſt Manufacturer would wiſh an Apprentice ſhould have been trained up in; and every worthy Maſter and Miſtreſs would deſire the loweſt of their Servants ſhould have been accuſtomed to. Their Diet plain, but wholeſome. Their Dreſs clean, but ſimple. And the Knowledge they are taught no other than what tends to make them religious, ſober, honeſt, and induſtrious in this World; and happy in the World to come.

Did this Inſtitution provide only for their Inſtruction ſome particular Hours of the Day, and leave them all the reſt of their Time at large without any Care and Government, this would be a manifeſt Defect; and it's Expence and Deſign be moſt probably loſt and defeated. But by taking them wholly under it's Care, and keeping them always within themſelves, and providing every Thing neceſſary for them, they are accuſtomed to domeſtic Order and Diſcipline; they are preſerved from the Snares which they muſt otherwiſe neceſſarily meet with; and their Words and Actions are conſtantly ſuperintended and guarded. The unſpeakable Advantage of this is obvious to every one.

This Charity admits both Boys and Girls. And in fixing their Age for Admiſſion, it was deſigned, that they ſhould not

not be ſo young as abſolutely to need the Care of a Nurſe; nor ſo old as to have received any previous profane or vicious Impreſſions, by which the reſt might be corrupted. The promiſcuous Aſſociation of the Boys and Girls would manifeſtly be highly improper. This therefore is ſtrictly guarded againſt. And they are always kept apart from one another, except when under the Eye of their Maſter and Miſtreſs, they are called upon Morning and Evening to unite in the ſolemn Worſhip of God.

Were the Children here brought up in Sloth and Idleneſs, it would be an inſuperable Objection to this Charity. But for this there is no Room. And the great Advantage of this Inſtitution is, That an Employment is found out and aſſigned to the Boys ſuited to their reſpective Ages and Strength. And to the Girls, ſuch as may train and fit them for Services in reputable Families. To theſe they are ſo accuſtomed as to keep them from the Snares of Idleneſs; and to give them early Habits of Induſtry: While at the ſame Time Care is taken, by diſpenſing proper Encouragements, that honeſt Diligence may not be a Burthen, but the Object of their Choice and Pleaſure.

To all this the Managers have the Pleaſure to inform the Public, that a Maſter and Miſtreſs are provided, to whom it is but doing Juſtice to ſay, that they are well qualified for their Office; and have hitherto diſcharged it with that Attention, Fidelity, and Diligence, as to give entire Satisfaction. Nor hath it been in vain; for the Children have as yet ſo behaved, as (except only in one Inſtance) to give the Managers no Cauſe to repent the Time and Care they have beſtowed in the Overſight of them. And hence they enjoy the pleaſing Hope, that by the Bleſſing of God, not only the

the immediate Objects of this Charity, but their Posterity, and the Public too in some Measure, will reap the real lasting Benefit of it.

Glad would the Managers be to admit a greater Number of Objects; and they hope soon to be able to do it. For this they crave further Assistance. And they have the agreeable Confidence, that the more so useful and important an Institution is known, the more it will approve and recommend itself to every compassionate benevolent Heart.

To enable all such to form a judgment of it, the Committee have thought proper to publish the present State of the Charity. The general Plan of it. The Rules for the general Government and Management of it. As also those for it's internal and domestic Government. To which they have annexed a List of the Governors and annual Subscribers. And take this Opportunity of returning their thankful Acknowledgements for many occasional Benefactions which have been from Time to Time received.

April 29, 1766.

A SHORT

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SHORT ACCOUNT

OF THE

PRESENT STATE

OF THIS

CHARITY.

THIS Charity was inſtituted in 1760, and by the kind Aſſiſtance given to it by the Public, the Governors have been enabled to admit Twenty-ſix Boys and Twenty-four Girls, who are carefully kept apart from each other.—The Boys are employed in weaving Liſt Carpets; the Girls in Sewing and Knitting, and in aſſiſting the Miſtreſs and Servant in the domeſtic Affairs.

In order to excite Diligence and Emulation among the Children in their reſpective Employments, proper Encouragements are allotted to them, which are regularly entered in a Book to each one's Account; and, on the contrary, if any have been remiſs, or careleſs, or committed any Faults, ſo much is taken off from their Accounts, as the Committee judges proper, according to the Nature of the Crime.—Stated Hours of Prayer and reading are every Day obſerved, and the ſtricteſt regard is had to their Morals and good Behaviour

viour, to render them hereafter uſeful Members of Society: and that their Health may be promoted, all proper Recreations are allowed.

The Dividends ariſing from the preſent Capital, which is 3000*l.* in 4 per Cent. Bank Annuities, and 50*l.* in South Sea Annuities, with the annual Donations, which amount to about 270*l.* are not ſufficient to enable the Governors to take in a greater Number of Children; but the Managers hope and flatter themſelves, that thoſe who are already Governors and Benefactors, will, from the great Uſefulneſs of this Charity, and the Care obſerved in the Management of it, be induced further to recommend it; and that when the good Deſign of this Charity is ſufficiently known, many other well-diſpoſed perſons will add their Benefactions to thoſe already made, and thereby enable them to go on with this uſeful Work, and relieve many other diſtreſſed Objects, who from their tender Years are incapable of adminiſtering any Relief to themſelves.

The Governors at a general Court thinking it might be of Uſe to this Charity, have come to a Reſolution, that any Perſon, upon paying Sixty Guineas, may immediately put a Child properly qualified into the School.

N. B. A Sermon will be preached at the Orphan Working-School at Hoxton, during the Summer Seaſon, on a Lord's-Day Evening, beginning exactly at Six of the Clock. And it is hoped, that ſuch Governors, to whom it may be convenient, will give Countenance to it by their Preſence.

LONDON, *April* 29, 1766.

THE

PLAN.

OF THE

CHARITY, &c.

The General PLAN is as follows, *viz.*

I. THAT poor Children not under the Age of Six Years, nor exceeding that of Nine, be conſidered as proper Objects of this Charity; and that the ſtricteſt Regard be had to ſuch as are moſt neceſſitous, eſpecially Orphans.

II. That ſuch Children admitted to this Charity, ſhall be provided with Food, Clothes, Lodging, and every Thing neceſſary for them, until they arrive at the Age of Fourteen Years or longer, at the Diſcretion of the General Committee; and then be placed out as Apprentices or Servants, and a Sum of Money, if required, given with them.

III. That they be carefully inſtructed in the Principles and Duties of the Chriſtian Religion, as contained in the Holy Scriptures: Taught to read and write, ſo far as may be neceſſary in any future Station: And uſed to ſuch Labour and Work as may be convenient and ſuitable.

IV. That they ſtatedly attend the Public Worſhip of God, in ſome Congregation of Proteſtant Diſſenters, under the Inſpection of the Maſter.

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The RULES are divided into Two Parts, *viz.*

I. For the general Government of the Charity.

II. For the Admiſſion and Management of the Children.

The RULES for the general Government of the Charity are,

I. THAT every Perſon paying to the Treaſurer for the Time being, for the Uſe of this Charity, the Sum of Thirty Guineas or upwards, in one entire Payment, or in different Payments, to be made within the Space of two Years from the Time of ſubſcribing (excluſive of the annual Subſcriptions which ſuch Perſon may have paid); and every Perſon by whoſe Hands a Legacy or Benefaction of Fifty Pounds or upwards, ſhall be paid to the Treaſurer for the Time being, for the Uſe of this Charity, ſhall be governors for Life: And likewiſe all ſuch other Perſons who ſhall pay to the Treaſurer, for the Purpoſe aforeſaid, the Sum of five Guineas; and the farther annual Sum of two Guineas or upwards, ſhall alſo be Governors for ſo long as they ſhall continue to pay ſuch annual Sum; and that every Governor ſhall ſtand upon an equal Footing, as to the Nomination of Children to this Charity.

II. That every Perſon, not a Governor for Life, neglecting to pay his or her annual Subſcription, for the Space of Twelve Calendar Months after it ſhall become due, be no

longer deemed a Governor, nor have any Right to vote, or nominate an Object to this Charity.

III. That a General Court of the Governors of this Charity ſhall be held twice in every Year; to wit, the firſt *Wedneſday* in *April*, and the laſt *Wedneſday* in *November*, and at ſuch other Times as herein after mentioned; and that Nine Governors ſhall be ſufficient to conſtitute a General Court.

IV. That at all General Courts, no Governor ſhall have a Vote but in Perſon, except all Ladies being Governors, and ſuch Governors who reſide Ten Miles or upwards diſtant from *London*, who ſhall be at Liberty to vote by Letters under their Hands. And that every Thing ſhall be determined by a Majority of ſuch Votes, or by Ballot, if required, by Seven or more of the Governors then preſent, before a Diviſion upon the Queſtion is made: Such Ballot to be immediately entered upon and finiſhed.

V. That a General Committee, conſiſting of Twenty-four, be choſen at every General Court in *April*. Twelve of which ſhall be ſuch as were not of the Committee the former Year: Which Committee ſhall meet the ſecond *Thurſday* in every Month, or oftener if they ſhall ſee Cauſe, at the Houſe where the Children are kept, or at ſome other convenient Place which they ſhall appoint: And that at ſuch Committee, Five at leaſt ſhall be neceſſary to do Buſineſs; but not proceed thereto, till one Hour after the Time appointed for Meeting: And that they keep regular Minutes of their Proceedings, and lay the ſame before the Governors at every General Court for their Inſpection: And that the ſaid Committee do make ſuch Report to every

General

General Court of the State of this Charity, as they ſhall ſee neceſſary.

VI. That ſuch General Committee ſhall, at every monthly Meeting, ſettle Proviſions for the enſuing Month; purchaſe or contract for the ſame, and other Neceſſaries, as they ſhall think proper; provide all Wearing-Apparel for the Children upon the beſt Terms they are able; keep the Buildings properly repaired; have Power to ſuſpend any Officer or Servant; and allow all neceſſary Expences; and Three of them, of which the Chairman for the Time being to be one, ſign all Bills for Payment.

VII. That ſuch General Committee do appoint the Time of Day and Place for all General Courts; and have Power, by a Majority preſent, to ſummon Special General Courts; giving particular Notice thereof to every Governor, as well as public Notice, in one or more of the public News-Papers, at leaſt Seven Days before the Time; and alſo ſpecifying the Occaſion upon which they are ſummoned.

VIII. That ſuch General Committee chuſe from among themſelves a Sub-Committee, to meet at the Houſe where the Children are one Day in every Week, to receive any Complaints, to inſpect the Children, and to prepare any thing proper to be laid before the General Committee.

IX. That a Preſident be choſen at every General Court in *April*, who ſhall be one of all Committees; and, if preſent, be Chairman in all General Courts and Committees.

X. That a Treaſurer be choſen at every General Court in *April*, who ſhall be one of all Committees, and in the Abſence of

of the Preſident, ſhall be Chairman of all General Courts and Committees; but in the Abſence of both, a Chairman ſhall be choſen by a Majority then preſent.

XI. That ſuch Chairman, whether Preſident, Treaſurer, or other, in caſe of an equal Number of Votes upon any Queſtion, ſhall have a double or caſting Vote.

XII. That whoever ſpeaks ſhall addreſs himſelf to the Chairman: and if two, or more offer to ſpeak at a Time, the Chairman to determine which ſhall ſpeak firſt.

XIII. That a Chairman put all ſuch Queſtions, as ſhall be moved and ſeconded, and no other; declare the Majority of Votes; and grant a Diviſion, or a Ballot, if regularly demanded.

XIV. That all Securities on the Admiſſion of Objects, and for the Fidelity and good Behaviour of any Officer or Servant of this Charity, and all Contracts for Proviſions and other Neceſſaries, ſhall be taken and made in the Name of the Treaſurer for the Time being.

XV. That all Sums ſubſcribed or given to the Uſe of this Charity, be paid into the Hands of the Treaſurer; who ſhall pay all Bills ſigned as above directed; keep ſo much Caſh only as may be neceſſary for the current Expences; and from Time to Time lay out the Remainder in Government Securities, as oft as he and two other Governors, to be choſen by a Majority at a General Court, ſhall think proper. The ſame Government Securities to be purchaſed by, and placed out in the Names of the ſaid Treaſurer and ſuch two Governors.

XVI. That

XVI. That a Secretary ſhall be choſen at every General Court in *April*, who ſhall enter the Accounts in a Book or Books to be provided for that Purpoſe: and give out Summons for the General Courts, at the Direction of the General Committee.

XVII. That the Secretary attend General Courts and General Committees, unleſs neceſſarily prevented; and that in his Abſence ſome other be choſen for the Time.

XVIII. That the Secretary takes Minutes of all Proceedings in General Courts or Committees, and enter them in a Book to be kept for that Purpoſe.

XIX. That one or more Apothecaries be choſen at every General Court in *April*, to attend the Houſe when required, and adminiſter Medicines to the Children when they need it. And that a Phyſician and Surgeon be deſired to attend upon any Emergency.

XX. That at every General Court in *April*, a Perſon ſhall be choſen to collect the Donations and Annual Subſcriptions to this Charity. And that ſuch Collector ſhall, with a ſufficient Security joined with him, to be approved of by the General Committee, enter into a Bond to the Treaſurer for the Time being of this Charity, in the Penalty of 100*l.* for the due paying over to ſuch Treaſurer all Monies he ſhall collect or receive.

XXI. That at the General Court to be held the laſt *Wedneſday* in *November* every Year, a Special Committee of five Governors ſhall be choſen, to examine all the Accounts relating to this Charity, up to the 31ſt Day of *December* then

next inclusive: Which Accounts shall be reported at the next General Court in *April*, signed by at least three of the said Special Committee.

XXII. That in Case of the Death of the Treasurer two Months before any Half-yearly General Court, a Special General Court shall be called by the General Committee within three Weeks, for the Choice of another.

XXIII. That every Governor be at Liberty to visit the House whenever he pleases (Sunday excepted); and if he sees any Cause of Complaint, he is hereby desired to give Notice thereof, either in Person or by Detter under his Hand, to the Committee; or by entering it in the Visitor's Books.

XXIV. That a Sermon be preached once a Year, recommending this Charity: The Time, Place, and Person to be appointed by the General Committee; but no Collection to be made. And that the following Notice be sent to the respective Congregations in and about this City, *viz.*

Please to give Notice, that on being the Day of a Sermon will be preached at recommending the Charity for the Education, Maintenance, and Employment of Orphans, and other poor Children, to begin at

N. B. No Collection will be made.

RULES

RULES for the Admiſſion and Management of the CHILDREN,

As deſcribed in the General Plan of this Charity.

I. THAT every Governor ſhall have, in his, or her Turn, a diſcretionary Right to nominate an Object to this Charity; and it is earneſtly recommended to every ſuch Governor, to have a ſpecial Regard to the moſt neceſſitous Caſes.

II. That a Book ſhall be kept, in which ſhall be entered every Governor's Name, with the Place of his or her Abode, in ſuch Manner and Order, as the Governors at a General Court ſhall direct; by which every one's Turn to nominate an Object to this Charity ſhall be determined.

III. That whenever any Child is to be admitted, the General Committee ſhall give Notice thereof to the Governor whoſe Turn it is to nominate, at leaſt one Calendar Month before the Time of Admiſſion.

IV. That if any Governor, having ſuch Notice, ſhall neglect to nominate, within one Calendar Month after the Time thus fixed for Admiſſion, he or ſhe ſhall loſe his or her Turn, and the Nomination go to the next upon the Liſt.

V. That every Child thus nominated, ſhall be brought to the Houſe, at the ſole Expence of the Governor thus nominating.

VI. That a Certificate ſhall be lodged with the General Committee, from the Officers of the Pariſh to which ſuch

Child belongs, and properly atteſted, acknowledging that ſuch Child belongs to them, and that they will receive it if it be returned to them; or in Default thereof, that the beſt Information on Oath, if required, ſhall be given to the ſaid Committee of the legal Settlement of ſuch Child.

VII. That every Child, before Admiſſion, ſhall be examined by one of the Apothecaries belonging to this Charity, in the Preſence of the General Committee; That none be upon any Account admitted, but who ſhall appear to be free from any infectious Diſtempers: Nevertheleſs without prejudicing the Right of the Governor, who ſhall have Notice given him or her thereof, and be at liberty to nominate another.

VIII. That no Child thus admitted, ſhall upon any Pretence be abſent from the Houſe twenty-four Hours, without Leave of at leaſt three of the General Committee: And that for Breach of this Rule, it ſhall be at the Diſcretion of a Majority of the General Committee, abſolutely to diſcharge ſuch Child.

IX. That a Book ſhall be kept, in which the Names of the Children ſhall be entered; as alſo, if they can be procured, their Ages properly atteſted; the Place they come from; the Names of their Parents; the Time of their Admiſſion; and the Name of the Governor by whom nominated.

X. That the General Committee ſhall, from Time to Time, examine the Behaviour of the Children; inſpect their Clothes and Proviſions; appoint them Work; examine and ſettle the Accounts relative thereto; fix the Hours for working in each Day; appoint proper Encouragements for the Induſtrious; by a Majority determine when any Child or Children may be admitted; and have Power, by a Majority of Two-Thirds of their whole Number, to turn out any Child for

for Miſbehaviour; firſt giving timely Notice thereof to the Governor who nominated the ſaid Child.

XI. That particular Care be taken by the General and Sub-Committees, that the Children be kept clean; their Diet wholeſome and proper; and that they be not treated with any undue Severity by thoſe who have the immediate Care of them.

XII. That the Boys ſhall have once a Year a new Coat, Waiſtcoat, and Breeches, and ſuch other Things as the General Committee ſhall find neceſſary. And that, beſides this Suit, every one ſhall have, at his firſt Admiſſion, what may be fit for common Uſe, or to work in, at the Diſcretion of the General Committee. And that Girls admitted to this Charity ſhall be properly cloathed at the Diſcretion of the ſaid Committee.

XIII. That their Clothes ſhall be plain; and not diſtinguiſhed by any particular Make or Colour; but varied from Time to Time, as the Committee ſhall think proper.

XIV. That Bibles and Teſtaments ſhall be provided for the Uſe of the Children; to be diſtributed among them at the Diſcretion of the Committee: And alſo Spelling-Books, by which to teach them to read.

XV. That no Perſon be allowed to give them Money; and that an Inſcription be fixed, in ſome conſpicuous Place, ſignifying the ſame.

XVI. That a Maſter be annually choſen at the General Court in *April*; and upon any great Miſbehaviour, or upon his Death, a General Court ſhall be ſummoned for the Choice of another.

XVII. That from Eight of the Clock to Eleven in the Forenoon, on *Monday*, *Wedneſday*, *Thurſday*, and *Saturday*, in

every Week, he teach them to read; and the ſame Hours on *Tueſday* and *Friday*, in every Week, he teach them to write; and alſo teach them ſuch Catechiſm, as any Governor ſhall direct, and give to the Child whom he or ſhe ſhall nominate.

XVIII. That he carefully inſpect and direct the Children in their Work; ſee that they make no unneceſſary Waſte therein; keep a daily Account thereof; lay it before the Sub-Committee, to be by them reported to the General Committee, to be entered in a Book to be provided for that Purpoſe.

XIX. That he be tender in correcting the Children; take all poſſible Care to prevent all Impiety and Immorality; and, if his Endeavours be ineffectual, complain thereof to the Committee.

XX. That Prayer be ſtatedly performed every Morning and Evening, by the Maſter, with the Children, immediately before Breakfaſt and Supper, and a Pſalm or Chapter be read by himſelf, or one of the Children at his Appointment. And that every Lord's-Day, he ſpend ſome Time with them, before and after Public Worſhip, in reading ſome Portion of Scripture, or other good Book, in ſinging a Pſalm, in hearing them, or in ſerious talking with them. And that ſuch Forms of Prayer be uſed from Time to Time as the General Committee ſhall think proper.

XXI. That he take proper Care that the Children do not neglect ſecret Prayer; and that they be taught ſome ſhort Forms to aſſiſt them therein.

XXII. That he be allowed Thirty Pounds a Year and his Board, for his Trouble and Care.

XXIII.

XXIII. That if he have a Wife capable of aſſiſting him and taking Care of the Houſe, ſhe alſo ſhall be allowed Fifteen Pounds a Year and her Board: Or if not, ſome other Perſon appointed by the General Committee, who ſhall be agreeable to the Maſter, and have the ſaid Allowance.

XXIV. That a Girl alſo be allowed as a hired Servant; and ſuch other Help, as the General Committee ſhall judge neceſſary from Time to Time.

XXV. That any Servant who ſhall take any Fee, Gratuity or Reward, directly or indirectly, from any Tradeſman or other Perſon dealing with this Charity, Child or Friend of any Child who ſhall be admitted into this School, in reſpect of any Service done or to be done, ſhall forthwith be diſcharged, and rendered incapable of being received again into the Service of this Charity.

Laſtly, That all theſe Rules, and any other that ſhall be from Time to Time appointed, ſhall be entered in the Book, in which ſhall be the Liſt of the Governors Names; and, if required, be publicly read by the Secretary at every General Court in *November*.

Subſcriptions and Benefactions to this Charity are taken in at the following Places, *viz.*

At *Robert Maitland*'s, Eſq; the Treaſurer, at his Houſe in *King's-arms-yard, Coleman-ſtreet.*

Meſſrs. *Fuller* and Co. Bankers, in *Birchin-lane.*

Meſſrs. *Roffey*, *Neal*, *James*, and *Fordyce*, Bankers, } in *Lombard-ſtreet.*
Meſſrs, *Pewtreſs* and *Robarts*, Bankers, }
Meſſrs. *Fuller* and Son, }

Any Benefactions will be thankfully received from thoſe who do not chuſe to become ſtated Subſcribers.

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Any Perſon inclined by Will to bequeath a Legacy to this Charity, is deſired to do it in the following Manner.

Item, I give and bequeath unto the Treaſurer for the Time being, of the Charity called or known by the Name of the Orphan Working-School at Hoxton, the Sum of
which ſaid Sum I deſire may be applied towards carrying on the charitable Deſigns of the Governors of the ſad Charity.

The following is a Reſolution agreed to ſince the foregoing Rules were made, *viz.*

That Liberty be given to a Governor, when it comes to his or her Turn to nominate a Child, to wave his or her Nomination for the preſent, if ſuch Child ſhall not be of the Sex he or ſhe wants to nominate, until a Vacancy in the School ſhall happen of ſuch Sex: And that in the mean time the Nomination ſhall go to the next Governor on the Rotation Liſt; who ſhall have the ſame Right of waving his or her Nomination, and ſo on till it comes to a Governor who wants to nominate a Child of that Sex of which there is a Vacancy: And that when a Vacancy ſhall happen of that Sex he or ſhe wants to nominate, that ſuch Governor ſo waving ſhall then be obliged to nominate a Child of ſuch Sex, within the time limited by the foregoing Rules; or, in Default thereof, that ſuch Governor ſhall loſe his or her Nomination.

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The following RULES are agreed upon by the GENERAL COMMITTEE for the Government of the CHILDREN at the WORKING-SCHOOL at HOXTON.

I. THAT the Children, from the First of *March* to the First of *November*, rise at Six o'Clock, and go to bed between Eight and Nine. And that from the First of *November* to the First of *March*, they rise at Seven, and go to Bed between Seven and Eight.

II. Upon rising, and being combed, they shall be called together, and a Psalm or Chapter being read by one of them who is able to read, each in his or her Turn, Prayers shall be performed by the Master; or, in his Absence, a Form shall be read by one of the Boys.

III. When Prayers are over, they may play till Breakfast is provided.

IV. Immediately after Breakfast, they shall be taught to read or write for two Hours, according to the XVIIth Article of the Rules and Orders.

V. Then they shall go to Work till Dinner; which shall be about one o'Clock.

VI. After Dinner they shall be allowed to play for One Hour: and then go to Work till Six o'Clock, from the Middle of *March* to the Middle of *October*; and till Five, from the Middle of *October* to the Middle of *March*.

VII. As

VII. As ſoon as the Work of the Day is over, a Pſalm or Chapter ſhall be read; and Prayers performed as in the Morning. And alſo one of Dr. Watt's Songs for Children, or ſome other, be ſung. And then the Children go to Supper.

VIII. Before and after every Meal, the Children, who are above Ten Years of Age, ſhall each, in his or her Turn for a Week, aſk a Bleſſing, and return Thanks, by a Form to be taught them.

IX. Between Supper and Bed-time, they ſhall be allowed to play: leaving time every Evening for waſhing their Hands and Face; and frequently their Feet.

X. Upon riſing and going to Bed, every Child ſhall ſay to him or herſelf a ſhort Prayer to be taught them. And great Care ſhall be taken by the Maſter and Miſtreſs, that this be done ſeriouſly, and without interrupting one another.

XI. Every Girl above Ten Years old ſhall be, each in her Turn, for a Week at a Time, employed in any neceſſary and fit Service in the Houſe, as the Maſter or Miſtreſs ſhall order.

XII. The Boys and Girls ſhall be carefully kept apart from each other, except at Family Prayers.

XIII. The Houſe Committee (who attend here once a Week) will inſpect the Children's Work, and inquire into their Diligence and Progreſs therein. And particularly they will do this the laſt Time of their Meeting in every Month. And grant ſuch Rewards to the Children in Money as they ſhall think they deſerve. An Account ſhall be kept of ſuch Money under every Child's Name in a Book: and given, if

if the Child desire it, to any poor Relation, with the Approbation of the said Committee; or paid to, or laid out for such Child, when he or she shall be put out Apprentice or Service, at the Discretion of the General Committee.

XIV. Upon the Death of a Child such Money so reserved will be given by the Committee to poor Relations. But upon his or her leaving the House irregularly, or being turned out for Misbehaviour, it shall be forfeited to the Use of the Charity.

XV. A wilful Lie shall never be passed by without Correction. If it be known only to the Master or Mistress, he or she shall talk to the Offender in private; and punish it as they think proper. If it be public, the Offender shall be turned out of the Room the next Time Prayers are performed; or be placed in the Room the next Meal-time with his or her Face to the Wall, and a Paper pinned to his or her Back wrote upon *Lyar:* and not eat till the rest have done: or be kept from playing with the rest of the Children for that Day; or if it be his or her Turn to read before Prayers, or say Grace, this shall be done by the next in Order. Nor shall the Offender be restored to Favour, till he or she shall make the following Acknowledgment in the Presence of the Master and Children: "I have sinned in telling a Lie. "I will take more Care. I hope God will forgive me."

XVI. Though such a Thing can scarce be imagined, yet if any Boy or Girl shall curse or swear, or take the Lord's Name in vain, he or she shall be corrected and punished in the same Manner.

XVII. Disobedience and Obstinacy must be corrected till conquered. And this and the two former, if oft repeated, must be punished with public Whipping.

XVIII. Beſides this, the Maſter ſhall keep a Book, to be called *The Black Book*, in which he ſhall enter theſe or any other notorious Offences; and report the ſame to the Houſe Committee; who will reprove the Boy or Girl thus guilty: and are at Liberty to fine his or her Account according to the Nature of the Offence.

XIX. Great Care muſt be taken not to terrify the Children, by confining them in the Dark; or with any idle Tales.

XX. On the Lord's Day the Children ſhall attend Public Worſhip under the Eye of the Maſter or Miſtreſs, unleſs prevented by Illneſs, or any other ſufficient Cauſe. They ſhall be ſet to learn ſome Portion of Scripture, or other good Book, or of the Catechiſm aſſigned them. A Pſalm or Hymn ſhall be ſung Morning and Evening: and a Sermon be read in the Evening by the Maſter; except during the Summer, when a Sermon is preached.

XXI. The Houſe Committee will from Time to Time examine the Children as to what they learn. And inquire into ſuch other Things as may be proper to be known.

XXII. They will alſo inquire of the Maſter into the Behaviour of the Children; that they may know how to diſpenſe Reproof or Encouragement.

XXIII. They will alſo inſpect the Proviſions, and take Care of every Thing neceſſary for the Houſe.

XXIV. No Perſon, not a Governor, to viſit the Houſe without an Order ſigned by the Governor, except between the Hours of Three and Six in the Summer, and Three and Five in the Winter; and Parents on the Illneſs of a Child.

XXV. No Perſon to be admitted into the Houſe on a Lord's-Day, except upon the Illneſs of a Child; or any of the General Committee; or at the Public Worſhip in the Evening.

XXVI. No Perſon to give the Children Money, or any other Thing, upon any Account. Such Money diſcovered to be given ſhall be put into the Charity-Box.

XXVII. No Money to be given to any in this Houſe by Parents, Friends, or Tradeſmen.

XXVIII. No Child to be taken out of the Houſe at any Time by Parents or Friends, without a written Order from one of the General Committee; nor be kept out all Night without ſuch an Order from three of the General Committee; upon Pain of being expelled at the Diſcretion of the Committee.

Laſtly, If a Child under the Care of this Charity die, the Maſter ſhall apply to the Houſe Committee, or to three of the General Committee, who will give Order for a Coffin and Shroud, and for it's decent Interment. All the Children upwards of ten Years old, if convenient, to attend the Funeral.

A LIST of the GOVERNORS of the ORPHAN WORKING-SCHOOL.

Thoſe marked thus * are Governors for Life.

Thoſe marked thus † are the Committee for the preſent Year 1766.

*† WILLIAM BOWDEN, Eſq; Preſident.
*† ROBERT MAITLAND, Eſq; Treaſurer.

A.

*MRS. Elizabeth Abney.
*Mr. Latham Arnold.
Mr. Patrick Adair, deceaſed.
*†William Adams, Eſq;
Mr. Edmund Aſhton, jun. dec.
Mrs. Elizabeth Aſhhurſt.

B.

Mr. Samuel Beard, deceaſed.
Mrs. Elizabeth Brookeſbank, deceaſed.
Miſs Mary Brookeſbank.
*Eliſha Biſcoe, Eſq;
*John Bond, Eſq;
*Mr. Iſaac Buxton.
*Guy Brian, Eſq;
Mr. Henry Butler, deceaſed.
Mr. Frederick Bull.
Mr. James Buttall.
Mr. Edward Barnard, deceaſed.
Mr. James Bennett,
George Bond, Eſq;
Mr. Benjamin Bucknall.
*John Baker, Eſq;
Mr. John Bradney.
Mr. John Baggs.
†Mr. George Brough.
Mr. Benjamin Bond, jun.
Benj. Boddington, jun. Eſq;

C.

Mr. James Cox.
William Coleman, Eſq;
*James Cunningham, Eſq;
Mrs. Hannah Coape.
Mr. Benjamin Champion.
Mr. Samuel Clay, deceaſed.
Mr. Alexander Champion.
†Mr. James Cue.
Mrs. Mary Chapman.
Mr. William Chamberlain.
Mr. Samuel Caſtell.
Mr. James Caſtell.
Mrs. Sarah Cholmley.
*Anthony Chapman, Eſq;

Mr.

Mr. John Clements,
Mr. Eleazer Chater.
*Samuel Chambers, Eſq;

D.

Sir Samuel Duckenfield, Bart.
*Samuel Dickenſon, Eſq;
Mr. William Dermer.
Edward Davenhill, Eſq;
Mr. John Danvers.
Capt. Francis Degen.

E.

Humphry Edwin, Eſq;
*†James Eſdale, Eſq;
*†Mr. Robert Edmeſton.
George Edwards, Eſq;
Miſs Frances Emms.

F.

Thomas Fowell, Eſq;
Mr. John Fullagar.
*†Thomas Fletcher, Eſq;
Mr. John Finch, of *Dudley*, *Worceſterſhire*.
*Sir Thomas Fludyer, Knt.
Miſs Fletcher, deceaſed.
Mr. Joſeph Flight.
Mr. James Bogle French.
†Mr. William Fuller.
Mr. John Field, *Newgate-ſtreet*.
Mr. John Field, *Thames-ſtreet*, deceaſed.
Rev. Mr. Hugh Farmer.
Robert Ferguſon, Eſq;
Mr. William Field.
Rev. Mr. Philip Furneaux.
Richard Fuller, Eſq;
Freeman Flower, Eſq;

G.

Mr. William Grace.
Mr. Samuel Grace.
Mr. Robert Groſvenor, dec.
Mr. James Gibſon.
*Mr. Guilford Gibſon, dec.
Mrs. Hannah Gibſon.
The Rev. Dr. Tho. Gibbons.
Mr. Richard Gair.
Mr. Daniel Galopine.
Mr. William Gines.
Mr. John Gay, deceaſed.
*Dr. James Grieve.
Mr. J. Gardner.
†Matthias Gale, Eſq;

H.

Mrs. Dorothy Hardy.
Charles Hardy, Eſq;
*Mr. Thomas Holmes.
Miſs Catharine Hardy.
Mr. Woodyate Hodges, dec.
*Mr. William Hurford, who collects the Subſcriptions *gratis*.
Mr. Richard Hett, jun.
*George Hayley, Eſq;
*John Hopkins, Eſq;
Mr. Thomas Hunt, *Old Jewry*.
Mrs. Hunt, deceaſed.
*James Hubbald, Eſq;
*Miſs Hannah Howard.
*Mrs. Hopkins.
Mr. David Hewſon.
*John Hett, Eſq;
Mr. Richard Horton.
*Mr. William Hurford, junr.
Mr. Thomas Hodgſon.

I.

Mr. John Jordan.
Robert Jackſon, Eſq;
*†James Johnſon, Eſq;
Mr. John Jones.

George

George Johnſton, Eſq;
William Jacomb, Eſq;
*Mr. Edward Jeffreys.

K.

The Rev. Mr. Kippis.
John Kennion, Eſq;

L.

James Lambe, Eſq; deceaſed.
Thomas Lucas, Eſq;
Mr. David Langton, *Queen-ſtreet.*
Mr. David Langton, *Borough.*
Mrs. Lambe, annually 5*l.* 5*s.*
Mr. Edward Longdon, deceaſed.
*Richard Lateward, Eſq;
Mrs. Iſabella Longden.

M.

*Jaſper Mauduit, Eſq;
*Mr. James Mabbs.
*John Mills, Eſq;
Mr. Morgan Morſe.
Peter Motteux, Eſq;
*John Mount, Eſq;
*William Mount, Eſq;
Mr. Samuel Moody.
*Mr. Thomas Mayor.
Mr. Duncan Maclane.
Mrs. Anne Mauduit.
Mr. Thomas Moore.
*Mr. Alexander Maitland.

N.

Mr. Thomas Noton.
*†Mr. Edward Nicklin.
Mrs. Sophia Nicklin.
William Naſh, Eſq;

P.

†The Rev. Mr. Edward Pickard.
*Thomas Page, Eſq; deceaſed.
*Edward Clarke Pariſh, Eſq; dec.
Mr John Phillibrown.
Mr. Bartholomew Payne.
Mr. James Payton.
Mr. John Payne.
Thomas Page, Eſq;
Mr. Thomas Pewtreſs.
Mr. Henry Pratt.
Mrs. Pickard, *Edmonton.*
†Mr. Bartholomew Pomeroy.
The Rev. Mr. William Prior.
*Mrs. Page, *Clapham.*
*Miſs Page, *ditto.*
*Miſs Sally Page, *ditto.*
Mr. Robert Phipps.

R.

*Samuel Roffey, Eſq;
Mr. George Rutt.
*†Mr. Samuel Rickards.
Mr. Joſhua Reynolds, *Ware.*
Mrs. Roffey, deceaſed.
Mr. John Rogers.
*Mrs. Mary Roffey.
Mr. John Reymes, *Norwich.*
Lomax Ryder, Eſq;
*John Van Rixtell, Eſq;
Mr. Thomas Rogers.
Mr. Joſeph Reaves.

S.

†Mr. William Stead.
Mr. Joſeph Spackman.
*Mr. Nathaniel Sheffield.
*Mrs. Barbara Skinner.
Mr. Samuel Sparrow.
Mr. John Stackhouſe Styles, deceaſed
Mr. Thomas Sims.
*Mr. William Stanton.
*Mrs. Rachael Spellerberg, dec.

Mr.

†Mr. Thomas Shrimpton.
Mr. Samuel Stinton.
Mr. Robert Stark.
Mr. Jabez Smith.
*Mr. Nathaniel Style.
*†Mr. Benjamin Sabbarton.
*†Joſeph South, Eſq;
Mr. Robert Shelley, deceaſed.
Mr. Scott.
Mr. Thomas Smith.
Mr. Thomas Shoell.
Mr. John Seagrave.

T.

*Samuel Touchet, Eſq;
*Mr. John Tozer.
Rev. Mr. Joſiah Thomſon.
*Mr. Michael Terry.
Mr. John Thody, deceaſed.
Mr. John Tapſcot.
*†Mr. William Tattnall.
Mr. Matthew Towgood.
*Mr. Samuel Towers.
Mr. Samuel Tapſcot.
Mr. William Thody.
*Mr. William Thompkins.
*James Taylor, Eſq;
*John Thornton, Eſq;
*Mrs. L. Thornton.
*Miſs J. Thornton.

W.

*Mr. Robert Willis.
Mr. Joſeph Wells.
*Samuel Wordſworth, Eſq;
†Mr. Thomas Wellings.
Mr. Thomas Wright.
Mr. Jonathan Wathen.
Mr. William Webb.
Mr. John Ward, deceaſed.
Mrs. Mary Wells.
†Mr. John Warren.
†Mr. Thomas Webſter, who acts as Secretary, *gratis*.
Dr. Samuel Wathen.
†Mr. John Wells.
Mr. John Wellings.
Mrs. Elizabeth Wright.
Mr. Richard Wells.
John Winter, Eſq;
Mrs. Anne Weſt.
Mr. Matthew Wilkins, deceaſed.
*Mrs. Wordſworth.
Mr. Broom Witts.
Mr. Joſeph Warr.
*†Mr. Stephen Williams.
*Mr. Jacob Wilkinſon.
Mr. Thomas Wight.
†Mr. Richard Wilſonn.
Mr. George Welch.
Mr. Thomas Welch.

Dr. James Grieve, Phyſician, *gratis*.
Mr. Jonathan Wathen, Surgeon, *gratis*.
Mr. Benſon, Apothecary, attending this Charity, and adminiſtering his Medicines, *gratis*.

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List of the Annual Subscribers to this Charity.

	l.	s.
Mrs. Rachael Spellerberg (beſides her Subſcription) annually for the Children's ſeats in *Hoxton* Meeting —	2	2
Ditto, annually to the Charity —	2	2
Mr. Clark —	1	1
Mr. William Wilton —	1	1
Mr. Joſeph Ellis, of *Gloceſterſhire* —	2	2
Mr. James Gilleſpy —	1	1
Mr. Dodrick Backman	2	2
Mr. James Atkins, *Whitecroſs-ſtreet* —	1	1
Mr. Thomas Milward	1	1
The Rev. Dr. John Hodge	2	2
The Rev. Mr. Michael Pope ——	1	1
Mr. Meakin —	1	1
A Lady unknown, by Mr. Hett —	1	1
Mr. Atkins, *London Wall*	1	1
A Lady unknown, by Mr. John Field —	1	1
Mrs. Sarah Boyd —	2	2
Mr. Edward Johnſon	1	1
Mr. Sam. Boyes —	1	1
The Rev. Mr. Laugher	1	1
Mr. William Moore.	2	2